

Co-chairmen Andrew Heiskell
A. Philip Randolph

December 18, 1969

Dr. Joshua Lederberg Stanford University School of Medicine 300 Pasteur Drive Palo Alto, California 94305

Dear Josh:

I read your column on health care costs in the December 13th <u>Washington Post</u>, and I'm glad you were able to make the point on the need for appropriate financing.

Since you hadn't yet reacted to the final copy of the document, "Rx for Action," which you should have received a few weeks ago, I'm assuming that the rewording of the language I introduced in that connection is satisfactory.

Good luck, and I hope we meet one day.

Sincerely,

Yeru

George A. Silver, M. D. Executive Associate

Thank you, George. No, I can't complain about it except that it does not attempt to meet the issue of the role of research and our need for much more in certain areas. But I accept your position that this was outside your stated purpose, and the statement at least has little destructive vice. I must say, though, that the philosophy behind it still comes through in statements like Finch's -- as if knocking down the schools will solve any problems!

12/18/69 meno on dostrate menv. health.

Julian